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- 1. MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE UZAN IS GOING TO PORTUGAL ON MAY 29 TO SIGN AN AGRICULTURAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT. SENIOR MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE OFFICIALS, INCLUDING DIRECTOR GENERAL EYLAND AND HEAD OF EXTENSION SERVICES SOGIV, ARE ALREADY IN PORTUGAL PREPARING FOR THE SIGNATURE. MFA DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL ALON WILL ACCOMPANY UZAN.
- 2. UZAN WILL LATER VISIT RUMANIA FOR TALKS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF A SIMILAR AGREEMENT, WHICH WAS SIGNED BY ISRAEL AND RUMANIA LAST JANUARY. RUMANIAN VISIT IS NOT BEING PUBLICIZED.
- 3. WHEN QUERIED ABOUT AGREEMENTS SIGNED BY CARETAKER GOVERNMENT, ALON TOLD EMBOFF THAT PRESENT MINISTERS OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COURSE HAVE FULL AUTHORITY TO SIGN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS ON BEHALF OF ISRAEL. MOREOVER, SINCE IMPROVED RELATIONS WITH PORTUGAL ARE VERY MUCH IN ISRAEL'S INTEREST, IT IS ASSUMED THAT THE NEW ISRAELI GOVERNMENT WILL WANT TO IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENT IN A WHOLEHEARTED WAY.

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